

GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS

Board Meeting: September 13, 2004

Minutes Approved by Board on March 30, 2005

A meeting of the Georgia State Board of Landscape Architects was held on Monday, September 13, 2004, at the Office of the Division Director, Professional Licensing Boards Division, 237 Coliseum Drive, Macon, Georgia.

The following Board Members were present:

Michael W. Breedlove, Chairman
Jaydee Atkins Ager, Consumer Member
Paul J. Brickey, Jr., Landscape Architect
Rebecca R. Kirk, Landscape Architect
Lynn Pierson, Landscape Architect

Others present were:

Gwyn H. Ridley, Executive Director
Virginia Hudson, Applications Specialist
Marie S. Urquhart, Board Secretary
Jackie Turner, Investigations Section
Rod Russell, Investigations Section
Craig Fluck, Examination Consultant, Examination Section
Tanya Battle, Assistant Division Director

Chairman Breedlove established that a quorum was present at 9:35 a.m. and called the meeting to order.

Ms. Pierson made a motion to **approve** the minutes of the June 30, 2004 Board meeting as corrected. Ms. Ager seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Pierson made a motion to enter into **Executive Session**, in accordance with O.C.G.A. 43-1-2 (k) and 43-1-19 (h) to deliberate on applications, investigations and to receive investigative reports. Ms. Kirk seconded the motion. Voting in favor of the motion were those members present who included Board members Breedlove, Ager, Brickey, Kirk, and Pierson. The Board concluded **Executive Session** in order to act on these matters and to continue with the public session.

Applications:

Ms. Hudson presented the following Landscape Architect applications for the Board's review. Ms. Ager made a motion to **approve** the following applications for examination and reinstatement that met certification requirements. Ms. Pierson seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Examination:

The following applicants were **approved** to take the L.A.R.E.:

Ryan Michael Jenkins
Jennifer Fitzsimmons Jones
Micah S. Lipscomb

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John Michael Newman

Matthew Pace Poyner

T. Brad Murphy

Natalie Virginia Sosbee

Kevin Shelton Tate

The following applicants were approved for licensure in Georgia by Reciprocity pending passage of the Georgia Component Section of the Landscape Architect Registration Examination:

Whitman Townsend Alexander

Edward Jude Anderson

Antonio D. Leung

Jon Michael Milstead

David Sacks

Brett Alan Smith

Reinstatement License:

The following applicants were **approved** for reinstatement of an expired license:

Stephen Griffey #LA000898

Becky Betts Morris #LA000509

The following applicant was **approved** for reinstatement of an expired license under Consent Order:

James Keith Gartin #LA000901

The following applicant was **disapproved** for reinstatement of an expired license:

Keith LeBlanc #LA000855

The Board reviewed and approved the following list of Landscape Architects licensed since the last review:

License Number	Name	License Date	License Method
LA001361	Scott Edward Morgan	06/29/2004	Examination

Investigative Report:

The Board heard a report from the Enforcement Section and the committee.

LA006: Ms. Pierson made a motion to close the case. Ms. Ager seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

John Emmet Barry: Mr. Brickey made a motion to accept a signed Voluntary Cease and Desist Order and close the case. Ms. Ager seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

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Mark D. Schisler: Ms. Kirk made a motion to accept a signed Voluntary Cease and Desist Order and close the case. Mr. Brickey seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Examination Report:

The Board heard a report on the L.A.R.E. examination from the Examination Section.

Correspondence, Written Requests, Inquiries and Information Items:

Michael W. Commisso: The Board reviewed correspondence regarding actual practice of landscape architecture under direct supervision of a registered licensee. After reviewing the Laws and Rules, Mr. Brickey made a motion to modify the rules to read as full-time work. Ms. Ager seconded the motion. The motion carried unanimously.

Kathy Poole: The Board reviewed correspondence regarding the Georgia Component Section of the Landscape Architect Registration Examination.

Billy Noel: The Board reviewed correspondence regarding continuing education programs.

Mark Chastain: The Board reviewed correspondence regarding Landscape Architecture and Land Surveying.

Georgia Department of Community Affairs: The Board reviewed correspondence regarding continuing education programs.

Lynn Pierson: The Board reviewed correspondence from the Board member. Chairman Breedlove requested the minutes to reflect “with sincere appreciation of the dedicated service to the Board” to Ms. Pierson.

The Board reviewed correspondence and requests that required no vote or action.

The Board heard reports from the following staff members:

Ms. Battle updated the Board on the renewal process.

Ms. Ridley updated the Board on the following items:

- Board Roster
- Number of active licensees
- L.A.R.E. computer testing
- Examination dates for the Georgia Component of the L.A.R.E.
- FY 2005 funding for travel
- Leadership Summit meeting

CLARB:

The Board reviewed the 2004 Annual Meeting materials and discussed voting on issues at the meeting. The Board also reviewed the information on the L.A.R.E. scores.

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Other Business:

The Board approved the 2005 Board meeting schedule.

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned at 12:15 p.m.

Marie A. Urquhart

Recorded by Board Secretary

Gwyn H. Ridley

Reviewed by Executive Director

Michael Breedlove

Chairman

Landscape Architects

Mollie L. Fleeman

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Attachment

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COUNTY OF BIBB

**AFFIDAVIT SUPPORTING CLOSING
OF PUBLIC MEETING**

The Georgia Open Meetings Act, O.C.G.A. § 50-14-1 et seq., requires that all meetings of an entity covered by the statute must be open to the public unless there is some specific statutory exception which permits the closing of the meeting. If such a meeting is to be closed, the law requires that the presiding person execute a sworn affidavit stating that the subject matter of the meeting or the closed portion thereof was devoted to matters within the statutory exceptions and identifying those specific exceptions relied upon. O.C.G.A. § 50-14-4(b). A copy of this affidavit must be filed with the minutes of the meeting in question.

Comes now Michael W. Breedlove, the presiding officer identified below and, before an official duly authorized to administer oaths, makes this affidavit in satisfaction of the statutory requirements outlined above.

1. I am the presiding officer of the GEORGIA STATE BOARD OF LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS.
2. I am over the age of 18 and in all over aspects competent to make this sworn statement. I acknowledge that I am giving this statement under oath and penalty of perjury and that I have read the contents of this affidavit prior to signing it.
3. On September 13, 2004 this entity, which is subject to the Open Meetings Act, met. A majority of the quorum of the members present voted to close the meeting or a portion thereof for the following indicated reason(s). I hereby certify that during the closed portion of the meeting, only those subjects indicated below were discussed. I also certify that I have reviewed the exceptions provided under the Open Meetings Act that may permit the closing of a meeting and that, to the best of my knowledge, the reasons I have described in detail below meet the requirements for closing this public meeting.

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4. The legal authority for the closure of this meeting was:

OCGA 43-1-2 (k); 43-1-19(h)

5. The subject(s) discussed and the underlying facts supporting the closing of this meeting are:

RECEIPT OF AND DELIBERATIONS REGARDING APPLICATIONS
AND APPLICATION INFORMATION AND DELIBERATIONS
REGARDING INVESTIGATIONS AND ENFORCEMENT MATTERS;
RECEIPT OF THE RESULTS OF INVESTIGATIONS.

FURTHER THE AFFIANT SAYETH NOT.

Michael W. Breedlove
PRESIDING OFFICER

SWORN AND SUBSCRIBED BEFORE ME

This 13th day of September , 2004

Marie S. Urquhart
Notary Public